March 28, 2023

Representative Rick Hansen Chair, House Environment & Natural Resources Finance & Policy Committee 407 State Office Building St. Paul, MN 55155

Senator Foung Hawj Chair, Senate Environment, Climate & Legacy Committee 3231 Minnesota Senate Bldg. St. Paul, MN 55155

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Dear Chair Hansen & Chair Hawj,

On behalf of the Trail Prospectors Alliance and Voyageur Country ATV Club, thank you for including ATV Dedicated Account funding for the Prospector ATV (\$700,000) and Voyageur Country ATV (\$750,000) systems in your Omnibus Environment & Natural Resource bills.

The overall vision for ATV clubs is to connect all the trails in northern Minnesota. The connected trail system will run from International Falls to the Iron Range and on to Grand Marais on the North Shore of Lake Superior. Over 1,500 miles of connected trails will be available and will allow users to spend a week in our region and never access the same trail twice. This will be one of the top trail experiences in the United States. These trail systems also have a very positive economic impact on communities in northeastern Minnesota.

Your support of our ATV trail funding is very much appreciated, and we thank you for including this important funding in your bills.

Sincerely,

Nick Wognum, President Trail Prospectors Alliance

Voyageur Country ATV